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This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of 3 months to respond to the pending Office Action. A response to the outstanding Office Action is also enclosed.

Check No. $\underline{9710}$ in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed.

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